

## CHAPTER NO. 143

## SENATE BILL NO. 1563

By Burks, Ketron, Southerland, Crowe, McLeary, Black, Mr. Speaker Wilder, Cooper, Hagood, Ramsey, Beavers, Norris, Herron, Williams, Finney

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2123

By Bone, Rinks, McDaniel, Maddox, Litz, Yokley, Mumpower, Curtis Johnson, Dunn, Harry Brooks, Fraley, Davidson, Borchert, Coleman, Swafford, Crider, Gresham, Buck, Newton, Eldridge, Fitzhugh, Godsey, McDonald, DuBois

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to agriculture education.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:


SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-416, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and by adding the following language as new subsection (b):

(b) All high school agricultural education programs that were twelve-month programs for the 1992-1993 fiscal year, or any fiscal year thereafter, shall be maintained as twelve-month programs by the local board of education, so long as a quality agricultural education program as determined by criteria established by the vocational-technical education division, agriculture education program, of the department of education is maintained.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

**PASSED: April 27, 2005**

  
JOHN S. WILDER  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 9th day of May 2005

  
PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR